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SUBJECT: EC COMMISSION PRESIDENT REPORTS TO PARLIAMENT
ON EUROPEAN COUNCIL

1. IN BRIEF ORAL REPORT TO EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT JULY 6 ON
EUROPEAN COUNCIL MEETING IN LONDON JUNE 29-30, EC
COMMISSION PRESIDENT JENKINS CHARACTERIZED LONDON SESSION
AS LONG IN DISCUSSION, SHORT IN DECISIONS. HE WAS
PARTICULARLY "DISAPPOINTED" THERE HAD BEEN NO DECISION ON
JOINT EUROPEAN TORUS FUSION PROJECT AND
PLEADED THAT EARLY DECISION IS "VITAL FOR EUROPE."

2. ACCORDING TO JENKINS, MOST BUT NOT ALL EC GOVERNMENTS
EXPRESSED THEMSELVES FAVORABLY IN LONDON ON THE COMMISSION
PROPOSAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW COMMUNITY LOAN MECHANISM
TO BE FUNDED INITIALLY AT ONE BILLION UNITS OF ACCOUNT
(ONE U.A. EQUALS DOLLARS 1.1). LABELING THE COMMISSION
PROPOSAL A "MODEST APPROACH, BUT WITH POWERFUL
POTENTIAL" FOR COMBATTING COMMUNITY ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
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PROBLEMS, JENKINS PROMISED THE COMMISSION WILL PURSUE THE
IDEA FURTHER WITH THE EC COUNCIL.

3. NOTING THAT COMMUNITY ENLARGEMENT HAD BEEN DISCUSSED
AT THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL, JENKINS REPEATED WHAT IS NOW
STANDARD COMMISSION (AND COUNCIL) LINE ON EXPANSION: TO
ASSIST THE DEVELOPMENT OF DEMOCRACY IN EUROPE THE

COMMUNITY MUST RESPOND POSITIVELY TO PRESENT AND NEAR-TERM APPLICANTS (READ GREECE, PORTUGAL, AND SPAIN). HOWEVER, FOR THE BENEFIT OF BOTH CURRENT AND FUTURE EC MEMBERS, COMMUNITY EXPANSION MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY: (A) ADAPTATION OF COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONAL PROCEDURES (E.G., DECISION MAKING) TO ENSURE A BETTER FUNCTIONING COMMUNITY; (B) MEASURES TO DEAL WITH THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE MEDITERRANEAN AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM; AND (C) SOLUTIONS TO COMMUNITY PROBLEMS OF STRUCTURAL ECONOMIC IMBALANCE AND TO DIVERGENCES BETWEEN ECONOMIES OF PRESENT AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBER STATES. HINTON

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